

JAN 26 2006

<b>IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE</b>	Application Number	10/623,437
	Filing Date	July 18, 2003
	First Named Inventor	David W. TOWNSEND
	Group Art Unit	3737
	Examiner Name	Ruth S. Smith
	Attorney Docket Number	2003P88029US (2436-185)
Title of the Invention: COMBINED PET AND X-RAY CT TOMOGRAPH		

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Office action mailed September 27, 2005, requiring election of claims directed to alleged distinct inventions. A three-month extension of time for response from October 27, 2005 to January 27, 2006 is requested. Further reconsideration of this application is requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

01/27/2006 TL0111 09888814 10623437

01 FC:1253 1029.00 OP